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Air Materiel Command
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

Attention: Thomas B. Ardis
Colonel, USAF
Chief, Industrial Resources Branch
Production and Resources Division

Subject: Wisconsin Nitrogen Fixation Process

Dear Colonel Ardis:

Reference is made to your letter 5 August 1954, (MCPSR) and to my telegraphic reply on 24 August 1954, concerning the Commission's interest in the subject process and the possibility of co-sponsoring further development work under the Food Machinery Corporation's contract.

The matter has been reviewed in the Divisions of the Commission having an active interest in nitric acid.

You are aware of our keen indirect interest in the treatment of calcium and aluminum phosphate materials to procure uranium as a by-product of agricultural chemicals and the similar situation for nitric acid digestion of ores and other uranium bearing materials.

However, after careful consideration, it is our joint opinion that we could not justify a development program on nitric acid processes.

We are sincerely appreciative of the many courtesies shown to Mr. George Marvin, myself and others in keeping us informed on this very interesting research and development program since industrial planning will continue to depend more heavily on the availability of economic sources of nitric acid.

Very truly yours,

For: G. C. Marvin

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